

Arqiva enables global delivery of Scouts' Centenary celebrations

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Arqiva were delighted to be involved with the 21st World Scout Jamboree in July and August 2007, which marked the Centenary of the adventure of Scouting.

Arqiva provided global delivery of the opening ceremony from Hylands Park, Chelmsford, on behalf of the World Scout Bureau. It used an SNG truck to uplink the broadcast feed event from site, and from its teleport in Winchester signals were turned around to other satellites for delivery across the globe.

Arqiva also provided uplink facilities from Brownsea Island using two 'flyaway' dishes enabling the Sunrise ceremony to be delivered globally. The dishes were used instead of an SNG truck at this site because transport to the Island is limited and this method had a lesser impact on the environment.

Andrew Thorp, Media Officer, The Scout Association, said, "World Scout Jamborees happen roughly every four years and have always been an important event within the Scouting community. We needed a company on board that we could fully rely on during both significant ceremonies and also to enable successful transmission of pictures for TV broadcasters throughout the whole event. The two-way link-up Arqiva provided during the sunrise ceremony was extremely successful and allowed the scouts in Hylands Park to connect with fellow scouts on Brownsea Island during a momentous celebration."

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